

SCHOOL HOUSE IS BURNED

Large School in Bridgman is Burned.

Universal Sorrow in Village Either.

Agitation for New School House.

Bentonia, Dec. 27.—The village school house, consisting of two rooms, and attended by over 100 scholars in the village, was burned last night and school will be interrupted.

The village people, as a general rule, are not sorry that the building was burned. In fact, many are really happy about the fact that Bridgman is all good people there would be glad for the wicked thought that the building had been set on fire by a fire.

The school house was originally built in 1860, the first year of the war. At that time the late George Bridgman, father of the attorney, was a director and he supervised the construction. From time to time in the last forty years the school house has been remodeled and repaired and six or seven years ago an "L" addition was built for a second room.

When the "L" was built there was much dissatisfaction in the village because the building was not entirely torn down and a new union school building constructed in its place. This could have been accomplished but for the fact that a short time before the district was enlarged by annexing the district No. 16 and the inhabitants of the annexed territory would not have taxes than have a new school house. The village people who are today are thinking that for sure they will have the new school house.

This is a very unfortunate year for the village to build as taxes are higher than ever before. The taxes to be paid in Lake township this year for township purposes alone is \$20,000. The building of the Hickory Creek drain is responsible for this heavy tax and some of the people talk of trying to get Edward Brammell of Benton Harbor to move here to fight the assessment, which is in some cases 40 per cent of the assessed valuation of farms. The drain is several times as large as necessary, it is claimed, and the people of the township refer to it as the "hickory creek."

Closing Out Sale

AT... Jackson's Gun Store and Loan Office

100 Water St. Benton Harbor Mich.

Closing out my entire stock of ladies' and gents' UNREDEEMED bicycles. Bicycles sold on the installment plan, the third down, balance weekly payments. Closing out my entire stock of UNREDEEMED shot guns, rifles and revolvers. Closing out my entire stock of ladies' and gents' UNREDEEMED watches at prices that will make you out. Closing out my entire stock of UNREDEEMED sewing machines, only out left. Closing out my entire stock of UNREDEEMED musical instruments—banjos, guitars, violins, mandolins and one Cottage organ. Closing out my entire stock of UNREDEEMED men's clothing—65 good second-hand winter overcoats on hand, no old trash in the lot. Closing out my entire stock of ammunition of all kinds. Shot gun and rifle powder 25c per pound; loaded paper shells, 12 and 16 gauge, a leader at 40c per box; 10 gauge paper shells, 45 cents; see my line of smokeless revolver, rifle and shot gun cartridges. Closing out my entire stock of UNREDEEMED gold rings at 60c on the dollar. Closing out my entire line of fishing tackle, hunting and sporting goods of all kinds. Remember that I have in stock every size of chilled shot and buckshot made on earth.

All kinds of Shot Guns and Rifles to rent by the day or week.

Wedge and Wall Tents for sale.

My Soda Fountain for sale.

About 14 wagon loads of second-hand truck of all kinds for sale. I loan money on all kinds of personal property, except stolen goods, and I always have lots of good on hand that I am glad to sell. I will sell my entire stock of goods, wares and merchandise to any man that wants to go into business in Benton Harbor. I have sold goods throughout the last 22 years and I am ready to quit business. Will not trade for any old thing but want the cash. Will further notice I will pay \$4.00 per pound for good, dry, clean ginseng. For New I will pay the best market price for all kinds of raw furs. Square deals on all the above.

Charles A. Jackson Dealer in Almost Everything.

THE WEATHER.

Partly cloudy tonight and Thursday, with possibly snow south-east portion Thursday. Continued cold.

ANOTHER BOSTON BANK SUSPENDS

E. C. Hodges & Co., Bankers and Brokers, Fail.

By Telegram to Evening News.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 27.—E. C. Hodges & Co., one of the largest firms in the city, suspended today.

NEW STATE BANK.

Glimpse of the Cashier of the New Institution.

The Benton Harbor state bank which opened its doors yesterday to the public has some of the best citizens of this city for stockholders. Among them are I. W. Conkey, the president of the bank, who has been identified with the business interests of the city for many years and was the first president of the E. & M. bank. A. R. Nowlen, an extensive property owner, G. M. Valentine, pro-secuting attorney and others. One of the stockholders and cashier of the bank is William Rupp jr. of Mt. Pulaski, Ill. One of the local papers of that city speaks of Mr. Rupp as follows:

"Mt. Pulaski the first of the week sustained a heavy loss in her citizenship by the resignation of William Rupp jr., as cashier of the First National bank, in order that he might take charge of a new bank just organized at Benton Harbor. Mr. Rupp is a born financier, conservative but always affable and obliging, and under his careful supervision the First National has gained recognition as one of the specially strong banking concerns of central Illinois. While we regret his departure, we rejoice that his talents have won recognition abroad, calling him to a wider field and weightier responsibilities, and assure the Benton Harbor people that they will find him a most desirable acquisition to their social and business circles."

WANT THEIR PAY.

Detroit Firm Commence Suit Against M., B. H. & C.

Attorney A. P. Cady, representing the firm of R. L. Gainsberg & Sons of Detroit, this morning commenced suit in the circuit court against the Milwaukee, Benton Harbor & Columbus railway company for \$5,750.

It appears that Gainsberg & Co. furnished the steel rails for the construction of the road running from this city to Buchanan and the amount asked for is the balance alleged due them for this material.

NEW BUFFALO SALOON.

Warrant Is Out for the Owner for Running Long Hours.

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of August Woodke, a saloon keeper in the village of New Buffalo, on the charge of keeping his saloon open after regular hours. Sheriff Ferguson went to New Buffalo for the purpose of arresting Woodke yesterday but that gentleman had evidently had a tip that he was going to be arrested and left town failing to leave his address. It is claimed that Woodke runs a pretty tough joint.

Charles Whitcomb's Funeral.

The funeral of the late Charles Whitcomb will be held from the First Methodist church in St. Joseph tomorrow afternoon at 1 o'clock. The pall bearers have been chosen from the bright little fellow's Sunday school companions.

Naval Military Drill Tonight.

All members of the fourth division Michigan naval brigade are notified to attend the regular drill at the armory at 8 o'clock sharp tonight.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Luxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c

Notice.

The steamer Louisville will make her last trip for this season, leaving Benton Harbor at 8 and St. Joseph at 9 p. m., Wednesday and will leave Chicago Thursday night at 11:30. This will close lake navigation between here and Chicago until sometime next March. J. H. GRAHAM, Pres. 7366

Stockholders Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Twin City telephone company will be held at the principal office of the company in Benton Harbor on January 3 at 7:30 p. m. for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year and such other business as may legally come before the meeting. W. A. PRESTON, President.

J. B. Clark, Peoria, Ill., says: "Surgeons wanted to operate on me for piles, but I cured them with DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve." It is infallible for piles and skin diseases. Beware of counterfeits. Geo. M. Bell & Co.

NO TIP FOR THE POLICE.

Fifteen Round Fight Here Last Evening.

Two Colored Men Fought for Purse of \$25.

While the city policemen were sleeping the sleep of the just last evening a prize fight was going on in the third story over the saloon of Martin Johnson. Not since the days when the canning factory was in all its glory was there such an array of leading business men of the city witnessing a pugilistic encounter.

The fight was between two colored men, one Klondike Williams, a local fighter of considerable repute, and a colored man from Chicago. A purse of \$25 was raised and placed in the hands of a professional gentleman of the city and when Klondike had punished his antagonist in fifteen rounds he was given the purse.

It was the bloodiest fight ever known in the city. As the press was excluded the record of the fight by rounds will not go down into history.

CHESS CONTEST

It is Creating Much Interest in the Y. M. C. A.

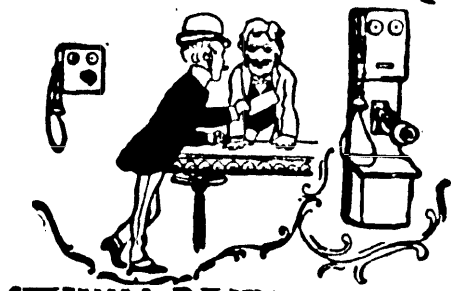
The chess contest in the Y. M. C. A. is growing exciting. About half the games have been played so far, and the various contestants are working hard to win the championship medal. The following is the tentative standing of the contestants according to the records in the general secretary's office:

Won	Lost	Per Cent
Edmunds	1	100
Walter Banyon	0	100
John Lee	5	61.5
Clair Conger	5	61.5
Lake	5	55.6
A. Poyard	1	500
O'Hara	5	45.1
Fred Hinkley	5	41.6
Godfrey	6	36.4
A. Russell	0	2

A Keen Clear Brain

Your best feelings, your social position or business success depend largely on the perfect action of your Stomach and Liver. Dr. King's New Life Pills give increased strength, a keen, clear brain, high ambition. A 25 cent box will make you feel like a new being. Sold by Lowe & Witherspoon, druggists.

PUT A TELEPHONE IN YOUR STORE



Occasionally you will find a store, or other place of business, so far behind the times as to be without a telephone. The telephone facilitates the transaction of business and draws custom, as nothing else can.

People like to deal with those who consider no appliance too expensive, so long as it adds to the comfort of a patron.

To which class do you belong?



Michigan Telephone Co.

Consolidation Sale...

A. S. Miles' shoe stock will be combined with our stock January 1, 1900, and to accomplish this it will be necessary to make some room and for the next few days we will cut prices on everything. Remember this is a bona-fide sale and goods will be sold away below regular prices.



Men's heavy rubber boots, former \$3.....	now \$2 65
Men's felts and rubbers, former price \$2.50.....	now 1 98
Men's extra high cut, heavy water proof shoes, worth \$2.50	now 1 98
Men's extension sole, calf shoes, latest style, worth \$2.50	1 98
Women's fine box calf shoes, 3 styles, w' h \$2.50 to \$3	1 98
Women's fine kid shoes, all styles, worth \$2.50, now	1 98

Boys', misses, and children's shoes and rubbers at greatly reduced prices.



If you need shoes it will pay you to investigate.

B. F. Wells

113 Pipestone Street...

Holiday Books

A choice selection now on exhibition at Lowe & Witherspoon's. Most of the latest books now on sale and will order any that is called for. We have in stock the following list:

Manders, by Elwin Barron.
David Harum, by Wescott.
When Knighthood is in Flower, by Cascoden.
In Old New York, by Wilson Barrett and Elwin Barron.
Rodens Corner, by Merriman.
Lion and Unicorn, by Richard Harding Davis.
The Knight of the King's Guard, by Martin.
Greater Inclination, by Edith Wharton.
Maternity of Harriet Wickham, by Mrs. Dudley.
Richard Carvel.
Market Place, by Harrold Frederick.


Also a large line of children's books
..Lowe & Witherspoon

REMEMBER

January 1, 1900, our shoe stock will be consolidated with the stock of B. F. Wells at 113 Pipestone St., where we will have the finest and most complete stock of footwear in Benton Harbor. Until then we are at our old stand in the Sweet block, selling goods cheaper and better than ever before.

Don't forget you will find us at 113 Pipestone St., after Jan. 1, 1900.

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This great remedy CURES all Nervous Diseases such as Weak Memory, Loss of Brain Power, LOSS MANHOOD, Nightly Emissions, Evil Dreams; all strengthens the Generative Organs of either sex that may be impaired through youthful errors, which soon lead to Consumption and INEVITABLE Sorrow. Sold with a guarantee to cure, or money refunded. \$1 per box for 30. Easily carried in vest pocket. Write for Free Book and Sample to Nerve Drop Co., our Druggists for that; take no other. — Or address

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TWIN CITY TELEPHONE 172.
WEDNESDAY, DEC. 27, 1899.

THE failure of the John P. Lovell arms company of Boston is a surprise to the country at large. This firm for many years made a bicycle which rivalled the Columbia and sold at as high or higher prices. How such a firm could fail is a mystery hard to explain.

AT the Michigan teachers' association meeting now in session at Lansing President McKenny spoke of the contention of Edward Bok, editor of the Ladies' Home Journal, that many children annually break down under the strain of school life. The educator agreed with the editor and laid the blame not only on the schools for not looking after the physical needs of the child but divided up the blame with the home where the physical needs are likewise overlooked. The parents of the Benton Harbor high school eleven should take warning from the professor and not allow the minds of their boys to go all to study any longer.

IT is claimed that England by her seizure of a ship in Delagoa bay is equivalent to a declaration of war against Holland. From the start the war against the Boers has been a surprise to the world and there are many who now predict that the end of the British empire as a great power is at an end. The Irish are ready for revolt, neighboring nations, jealous of the English power, are ready to help her enemies and the outcome of the entire matter may possibly mean a world wide war and the dismemberment of the great English empire. Greed for power and dominion over the peoples has laid low nations as mighty as the English. The world will watch the events of the near future with the most absorbed interest.

THE Grand Rapids Press utters this warning to the obstructive state senators: "Without caring much about the personal quarrels of the senators or of the governor, and equally indifferent to the question of whether the governor is actuated wholly by philanthropic motives, the public sees that he is moving in the right direction to secure equal taxation, and there is no likelihood that it will condone efforts on the part of senators to thwart him. The matter now stands it is simply a question of whether the people shall be given a chance to pass upon a matter of great importance to them or whether the senators shall deny them that privilege. The people have already shown their interest in the matter by their support of Mr. Pargree in spite of the opposition of the faction of the party to which the obstructive senators belong, and beyond question if they were now given an opportunity they would decide for him in this crisis. It is always dangerous business for a score of men to assume the responsibility for refusing an opportunity for the people to express their will on a question of importance, and it will be particularly dangerous for these senators to do so under the conditions which make their motive so apparent."

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

NEW LUMBER STOCK.

Capt. McDonald Has Added Large Stock in His Line.

EDITOR NEWS: I have just built an addition to the Stock Exchange building, corner East Main and Wall streets, have put in a carload of windows and doors, also lime, cement, stucco, hair, building paper and a complete line of paints and oils.

I have between one and two million shingles on hand; in fact a full line of building material and can furnish a bill from a chicken-coop to a palace. Would be glad to receive a share of the public's patronage. Thanking all for past favors, I remain, Yours very truly,
60c26 JAMES McDONALD.

Free!

Until January 1, 1900, four lessons with every mandolin, guitar or banjo purchased of me. Every instrument guaranteed.
LOUISE RECTOR,
57c21 114 Water street.

MOODY IS ENTOMBED.

Remains of the Great Evangelist Laid to Rest.

FUNERAL SERVICES ARE DESCRIBED.

Rev. Dr. Schofield Delivers a Simple But Beautiful Eulogy—Body Placed in the Grave—Memorial Service in New York.

East Northfield, Mass., Dec. 27.—The funeral services over the remains of Dwight L. Moody were held at the Congregational church Tuesday before a large audience.

Men who for many years have been connected with Mr. Moody's work took part. Rev. C. I. Schofield, D. D., officiated, assisted by Rev. A. Torrey, of the Moody Bible institute, Chicago. There were services at the late residence of Mr. Moody, early in the day, only relatives and close friends being present. Dr. Schofield read the Scriptures and Mr. Torrey offered prayer.

Borne to the Church.

When the family had withdrawn, the corpse, which had been permitted to remain upon a leather couch, was placed in the casket, which was of simple design, black covered, and open at full length. The body was borne to the church on an oblong, black-covered bier, by about 10 students from the Northfield institute. Before the bier was raised white roses were sprinkled about the casket. Dr. Schofield and Mr. Torrey led the procession, while following the bier came the following honorary pallbearers: Ira D. Sankey and George C. Stebbins, of Brooklyn; R. C. Morse and D. W. McWilliams, New York; Rev. W. J. Herriman and Rev. George C. Neeham, of Philadelphia. The bier was placed in front of the pulpit and the lid of the casket was removed, showing a spray of palm and ivy extending from the feet to the breast. A large number of villagers and visitors then began to file past the body. Mr. Moody's face had every appearance of one enjoying peaceful sleep. The body remained on view in the church until two o'clock.

The Services.

At the public funeral service the music was rendered by the choir of 150 students. An invocation was followed by the Scripture lesson, read by Rev. A. T. Pierson, of Brooklyn. Dr. Schofield then delivered the eulogy, in which he gave an estimate of the man and his work. Each man extended reference to the source of his greatness.

Eulogy by Rev. Schofield.

Dr. Schofield said in part:

"We are met, dear friends, not to mourn a defeat, but to celebrate a triumph. He walked with God and he was not for God took him. He is in the west, in the presence of great angels of glory. Of his fellow men, God spoke to him and told him to lay it all down and come home. He would have planned it so. This is not the place nor am I the man to present a study of the life and character of Dwight L. Moody. No one will ever question that we are to-day laying in the kindly bosom of the earth the mortal body of a great man."

"Whether we measure greatness by character, by gifts of intellect or by things alone, Dwight L. Moody must be accounted great."

"The basis of Mr. Moody's character was sincerity, genuineness. He had an inveterate aversion to all forms of sham, unreality and pretense. Most of all did he detest religious pretense, cant."

By the Grace of God.

"Along with this fundamental quality Mr. Moody cherished a great love of righteousness. His first question concerning any proposed action was: 'Is it right?' But these two qualities necessarily at the bottom of all noble characters were in him suffused and transfigured by divine grace. Besides all this Mr. Moody was in a wonderful degree brave, magnanimous and unselfish. Doubtless this unworldly New England boy became what he was by the grace of God."

Believed the Bible.

"The secret of Dwight L. Moody's power lay, first, in a genuine experience of Christ's saving grace. He had passed out of death into life, and he knew it. Secondly, Mr. Moody believed in the Divine authority of the Scriptures. The Bible was to him the voice of God and he made it resound as such in the consciences of men. Thirdly, he was baptized with the Holy Spirit and knew that he was. It was to him as definite an experience as his conversion."

"Fourthly, he was a man of prayer. He believed in praying and waiting for God."

Believed in Work.

"The truth, Mr. Moody believed in work. In his case, effort, it was provision, in the power of organization, and publicity. I like to think of Dwight L. Moody in Heaven. I like to think of him with his Lord and with Elijah, Daniel, Paul, Augustine, Luther, Wesley and Finney."

"Farewell, for a little time, great heart. May a double portion of the spirit be vouchsafed to us who remain."

Rev. Mr. Torrey followed Dr. Schofield. His eulogy was based upon Mr. Moody's life, exemplifying the grace of God.

Following Mr. Torrey, remarks were made by Rev. H. G. Weston, of Crozier theological seminary, Chester, Pa.; Rev. A. T. Pierson, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Bishop Mallalieu, of Boston, John Wanamaker, of Philadelphia, and Rev. J. W. Chapman, of New York.

Tribute of a Son.

The last speaker of the afternoon was Will R. Moody, the oldest son of the dead evangelist. Rising in his pew in the body of the church and looking at the body of his father, Mr. Moody said in part:

"I wish to speak of my father as a husband and father and of his great kindness to his wife and children. At times he spoke to us quickly, almost sternly, and later, with tears in his eyes, he would express regret that he had spoken so quickly. He was tenderness itself. He was filled with consecration, and only those who knew him and loved him as did his family can truly appreciate the loving tenderness of his domestic life. Father did not crave death. He loved his work, but he was willing to go."

The body was then carried to the burial place at Round Top. The chorus sang "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," and after prayer and a benediction the body was lowered to its resting place.

Services in New York.

New York, Dec. 27.—Memorial services for Dwight L. Moody, the evangelist, were held Tuesday in Calvary Baptist church, simultaneously with the funeral services at Northfield. The auditorium of the church, which seats about 3,000 persons, was filled. The service was of an undenominational character, arranged by the friends of Mr. Moody here, and a number of ministers of all denominations were present. The services opened with the rendering of Chopin's funeral march. Rev. F. R. Morse, assistant pastor of the church, conducted the ceremonies. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. R. S. McArthur and Rev. Dr. Willis, of Plymouth church, Brooklyn.

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NOTED SCIENTIST DEAD.

Close of the Career of Prof. Elliott Coues, Famed as an Ornithologist.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 27.—Prof. Elliott Coues, of Washington, D. C., the world-famed ornithologist and scientist, died Monday night at Johns Hopkins hospital.

[Prof. Coues was one of the most distinguished scientists in the United States. Born in Portsmouth, N. H., in 1842, he graduated at the Columbian university in Washington in 1861. He entered the United States army as a medical cadet in 1862 and left it as a surgeon many years later. He became a naturalist of high repute, and was an expert in geology, anatomy and many other sciences. He was connected with the Smithsonian institute, the United States geological and geographical surveys, and was professor of biology in the Virginia agricultural and mechanical college. He was one of the associate editors of the Century Dictionary and other publications, an ornithologist of world-wide reputation, and published many works on that subject. His versatility as an author was very great, and his works included a number of scientific subjects. He was a member of at least 50 foreign and American scientific societies. For some years he was an enthusiastic theosophist, a friend and coadjutor of Mme. Blavatsky. After awhile he lost his interest in theosophy, but he never ceased to reach out for theories and dogmas beyond the average understanding. No man in the United States probably had a wider acquaintance with men of thought the world over than Prof. Coues.]

Three Fatal Rows.

Middlesboro, Ky., Dec. 27.—Three shooting scrapes, with four men dead, are reported from Virginia and Tennessee near the state line. At Tazewell, Tenn., Jim Thompson killed Harrison Ray in a drunken row. At Atholens, Hill, Va., R. Overton and John Combs fought a duel and both were killed. They were prominent in their neighborhood. At Walnut Hill, Va., Bud Ely and his uncle, named Dops, had a quarrel, in which the latter was killed.

The Lawton Fund.

Washington, Dec. 27.—A. W. Corbin's list of subscriptions to the Lawton home fund aggregated \$1,000 at noon Tuesday. The committee announces that the subscription lists will be kept open until January 1 next, when the money will be banked and placed to Mrs. Lawton's credit. The amount now in the hands of Gen. Corbin probably is less than half of that actually subscribed, many subscriptions not yet having reached him.

Out of Jail.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 27.—William Censler, James Galloway and Rudolph Beltz, three men serving a six months' jail sentence here for participating in the Cartersville mining riot, were discharged Tuesday by Judge Allen, of the United States court, after serving three months. The court extended leniency at the urgent request of prominent labor officials.

Make an Important Find.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 27.—The grand jury reconvened Tuesday afternoon. Since adjournment the officers have made what is claimed to be an important find in connection with the alleged fraudulent military deal, by locating the four women who transferred the tags upon the goods which were sold by the state and replaced them with Henderson-Ames company's mark.

Lost at Sea.

Washington, Dec. 27.—A special to the Post from Norfolk, Va., says: The big Johnson line steamer Noramonde arrived here Tuesday afternoon, light from Liverpool, after one of the most tempestuous passages on record. Capt. Richardson, her commander, reported having seen an unknown bark founder at sea with her crew of 12 men.

Hearing Postponed.

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 27.—The hearing of the habeas corpus case of John P. Reece, the Iowa member of the United Mine Workers' Association of America, who was sent to jail at Fort Scott for contempt of the United States court, originally set for to-day before Judge Thayer at St. Louis, has been continued till January 4.

Cotton Mill Burned.

Philadelphia, Dec. 27.—The extensive mill of Joseph Flings Sons, manufacturers of cotton and merino, in Germantown, a suburb of this city, was almost completely destroyed by fire Tuesday. The loss is estimated at \$60,000, fully covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Secures Its Creditors.

St. Louis, Dec. 27.—The Siegel-Hillman Dry Goods company, which operated a large department store here, has filed a deed of trust to secure all its creditors. The liabilities of the firm are placed at about \$225,000 and its assets about the same amount.

Maine Dead Landed.

Newport News, Va., Dec. 27.—The Maine's dead were brought ashore at 1:30 on a lighter and transferred without ceremonies to a Chesapeake & Ohio special baggage train waiting to transfer them to Arlington.

Will Make a Test Case.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 27.—Gov. Mount, in behalf of the state of Indiana, will bring suit against the Standard Oil company in order to test the constitutionality of the anti-trust law of Indiana.

WILL CAUSE TROUBLE

A cough is dangerous to your own health and very unpleasant to your friends. It is something that should be given prompt attention.

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The great 25 cent cough remedy is sold under a guarantee to cure and if it fails we stand ready to refund your money. This remedy is different than the cough remedies on the market and is manufactured and for sale by

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We don't claim that we have a monopoly on all the grocery goodness, don't believe in monopolies anyway. We do believe in the quality of our goods, however, and are prepared to stand behind any statement we make. When you get the Best at the best price that's all there is to it. The following are only a few of our prices:

19 lbs. Granulated Sugar.....	\$1.00	Ginger Snaps, per lb.....	.05
20 lbs. C. Sugar.....	1.00	Crackers, per lb.....	.05
Pork, per lb.....	.08	Soapine, 2 packages for.....	.05
Good Baking Powder, per lb.....	.10	Armour's Washing Powder, 2 for.....	.05
Family Whitefish, per lb.....	.05	4 lbs. Cottoleone.....	.25
4 cans Peas.....	.25	Tumblers, each.....	.02
3 cans Corn.....	.25	4 lbs. Good Rice.....	.25
6 cans Sardines.....	.25	Coffee per pound.....	.10
2 cans Red Alaska Salmon.....	.25	Maple Syrup per can.....	.10
3 lb. can Pineapple.....	.12	Lard per pound.....	.05
12 bars Soap.....	.25	Mocha and Java Coffee per lb.....	.20

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LOCAL BREVITIES

THE skating at Seely McCord's is excellent.

HOMER Forum 389, will elect officers tonight.

HEAR Col. George W. Bain this evening.

WORK on the Bell opera house was resumed this morning.

THE early closing movement will be inaugurated tonight in the stores.

THE City of Louisville will make her last trip to Chicago tonight and then go into winter quarters.

NO visiting gentleman will be allowed at the Miami club dance tomorrow night without a ticket.

DR. J. A. Jarvis, the dentist, will remove his dental parlors from the Conkey block to room 5 in the Jones & Sonner block January 1.

B. L. HALL has secured the contract for putting a heating plant in the Citizens State bank. Combination not air and hot water will be used.

MRS. Howard Vincent's dancing class will meet in Conkey's hall Friday night from 7 until 9 o'clock after which an assembly will be held. Fred Noll will furnish the music.

JIM Ralston, the manufacturer of the Mantello cigar, is passing around samples today the verdict seems to be very complimentary to him as everybody pronounces them a very fine smoke.

THERE will be a special meeting of Marquette lodge, daughters of Rebekah at their hall tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock to complete arrangements for the public installation.

HOLY Trinity branch of the Woman's auxiliary will meet with Mrs. C. C. Sweet corner Britain and Pavone avenues, on Thursday afternoon at 2:30. This being the last guild meeting of the year the president earnestly requests all members to be present.

SHERIFF Ferguson and Prosecuting Attorney Valentine were in New Buffalo yesterday. The officers of that village had arrested a girl giving her name as Anna Jones for being intoxicated on the streets. She was fined \$13.90 which she paid. She said her home was in Three Oaks, but the officers claim that she lives in St. Joseph.

IN Printers' Ink for December 20 W. H. Harris, of the Nickel Plate shows, has quite an article explaining his success with bill board advertising. At the close of the article Mr. Harris states that in 1883 he embarked in the show business, starting from Benton Harbor May 5, and in the seventeen years he has followed the business he has made a fortune. Mr. Harris has many friends in this city.

THE Cincinnati Enquirer says of the lecture to be given here this evening by Col. George W. Bain of Kentucky: Every seat in the Grand opera house was taken yesterday afternoon at the Unity club lecture. The immense audience was drawn by Col. George W. Bain, of Lexington, Ky. The lecture fairly bristled with apt illustrations, gems of poetry, brilliant humor, interesting anecdotes, and noble thoughts that touched the hearts of the hearers.

BRACE Knapp imbibed too freely last night and was creating quite a disturbance on the streets when the officers took care of him and gave him shelter in the county jail. Brace was in one of his ugly moods and declared that he was on the war path and to bear out his statements he produced a huge butcher knife. The officers took the knife away from him and this morning he was arraigned before Justice Graves and received a sentence of 20 days in the county jail.

TICKETS for the opening entertainment for the new opera house are now being taken up by subscribers. The Columbian cigar company secured the first three tickets, Nos. 1, 2 and 3. They were the first of the subscribers to pay their money. The manager of the opera house will begin collecting subscriptions tomorrow. As the building is very much finer than anyone expected the matter of making the collections for the tickets ought to be an easy and pleasant one.

American Dentists the Best.

American dentists are acknowledged to be the most skillful in the world. Many of them are practicing with great success in Europe. In Germany they are subject to considerable annoyance. Their American diplomas are not respected. They cannot buy anything at a drug store except on a prescription signed by a German physician.—N. Y. Journal.

Experience vs. Arithmetic.

Teacher—Johnny may stand up to recite. Now, Johnny, suppose I borrow \$50 from your father and agree to pay five dollars a week, how long will it be before he gets his money?

Johnny—Just one week.

"Oh, think again; that's not right."

"Yes, it is. I know my father. He'd have you up in the courts by that time."

—N. Y. World.

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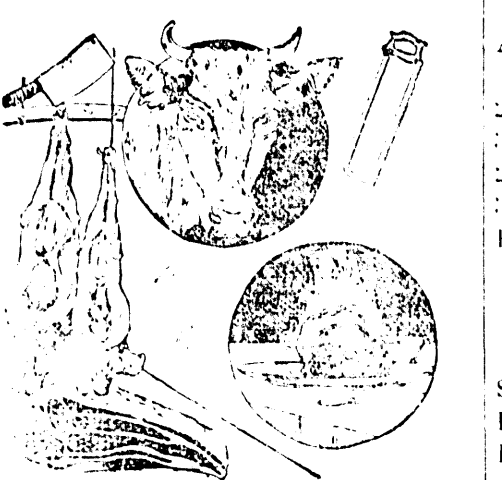
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20 pounds granulated sugar **\$1.00** Coconut **17c**
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B. O. JOHNSON, Sec'y. Marquette Lodge, D. of R., meets every alternate Saturday evening. Mrs. Nellie Johnson, N. G.; B. O. Johnson, Sec'y.

MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA, V. Y. Leaf Camp No. 901 meets every Monday evening at the Woodmen Hall on West Main street. Visiting Woodmen will be cordially entertained. H. S. ANNIS, V. C. N. G. WENNEL, Clerk.

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HAD ANOTHER FIGHT.

British and Boers Do Battle at Ladysmith.

AN ENGAGEMENT ON LAST FRIDAY.

Nine British Officers and Men Killed and Ten Wounded—Gen. Joubert Recovers Sufficiently to Assume Command.

London, Dec. 27.—Dispatches from South Africa are still greatly delayed. But they are arriving more freely, which shows that the censorship has been relaxed. There appears to be no great change in the situation. A dispatch from Lourenzo Marques, dated Thursday, December 21, gives the following from the Boer head laager, dated Tuesday, December 19: "The British naval guns at Colenso have been cannonading Bulwer bridge, over the Tugela river, with a view of smashing it. The bombardment of Ladysmith is proceeding slowly. Gen. Joubert has arrived here and been accorded a hearty welcome. He addressed the burghers on December 18."

Another Sortie.

A dispatch to the Daily News from Ladysmith, dated Friday, December 15, by heliograph, says: "Another sortie last night. Gen. Hunter, with 500 volunteers, destroyed one six-inch crest gun, one howitzer and one maxim. One Briton killed. The Boer gunners fled."

Engagement at Ladysmith.

The war office has received a dispatch from Pietermaritzburg, Natal, dated Sunday, December 24, announcing that in an engagement at Ladysmith December 22 Maj. A. C. King

hotel fell, many of them crashing through the roof, one on the bed of Frank Johnson, bruising him badly. The verandas are all down and the walls badly cracked. The rear wall of the Johnson block fell outward and the whole building was badly demolished. The third story of the Hotel Mills is down and the second-story walls fell in. Pugh's store and fixtures were all shaken down. There are but two chimneys left in town. The gables of Highland asylum were cracked and the chimneys shaken down.

Plan Abandoned.

Berlin, Dec. 27.—The German government has definitely abandoned all idea of acquiring the Danish West Indies, either by purchase from Denmark or otherwise. The German embassy in Washington has left no doubt that any such attempt would be looked upon by the Americans as an unfriendly act and as a serious infringement of the Monroe doctrine. According to the same authority, the reports representing that Denmark is negotiating to sell the islands to the United States are either entirely premature or without foundation.

Iowa Teachers.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 27.—The annual convention of the Iowa State Teachers' association opened with a meeting of the Educational council Tuesday evening and other preliminary committee work. The legislative committee decided to report resolutions demanding that the legislature establish three new normal schools. The attendance will be fully 2,000, exceeding that of any former year. Leading educators from all over the west will address the gathering.

Highlanders Fight.

Marysville, Cal., Dec. 27.—Chinatown was the scene of a lively battle Tuesday between rival highlanders' societies, the Suey Sing and Hop Sing. About 100 shots were exchanged. One Chinaman, a member of the Suey Sing faction, was killed.

Seven Indians Drowned.

Ashcroft, B. C., Dec. 27.—Seven Indians, including two women, were drowned Monday night a short distance west of this place by the upsetting of a canoe in which they were attempting to cross the Thompson river.

Sugar Mill in Ashes.

Houston, Tex., Dec. 27.—The new sugar mill recently completed at Sugarland, Cunningham's plantation, was burned Tuesday evening with all machinery. Loss, \$85,000; fully insured.

A SCENE OF RUIN.

Desolation Caused by the Earthquake in San Jacinto and Other California Towns.

San Jacinto, Cal., Dec. 27.—This little city is a scene of desolation. People are beginning to recover from the terror inspired by the earthquake which centered here on Christmas morning and destroyed every brick building in the town, and some definite estimates of the damage wrought can now be made.

At the Saboba Indian reservation near here a dance had been held the night before and large quantities of whisky were consumed by the Indians sent most of them into a drunken stupor before the shock came. A number of squaws had huddled together in an old adobe building and were sleeping off the effects of the liquor. The heavy walls fell in upon them. Six were killed outright and two died later, while a score more are badly injured. Those killed were horribly crushed.

Main street presents a sad appearance. It is impossible to walk along the sidewalks because of the heaps of debris and overhanging walls. Two-story brick walls are razed to the level of the ground, with thousands of dollars' worth of merchandise buried underneath. There is not a business house in town but has suffered. Electric wires are down and some of the power houses have fallen in. The walls of the county hospital, erected recently at a cost of \$10,000, are badly damaged. The total losses are estimated at \$70,000.

At Hemet the hotel was damaged to the extent of \$10,000; Bingham's flour mill, \$2,000. The fire walls of Weber's brick store fell out, the plate glass windows were smashed in and the entire stock of goods is on the floor in a heap. The chimneys of the

Stations. GOING SOUTH. a. m. noon p. m. p. m. Grand Rapids lv. 7:10 12:00 4:35 11:15 Benton Harbor 10:20 2:12 7:40 3:15 St. Joseph 10:30 2:20 7:50 3:10 Chicago, ar. 1:30 5:10 7:45 11:15

Stations. GOING NORTH. a. m. noon p. m. p. m. Chicago lv. 7:15 12:00 5:00 11:15 St. Joseph 10:10 2:45 7:50 3:10 Benton Harbor 10:20 2:52 7:58 3:00 Grand Rapids, ar. 1:35 5:05 10:55 6:20 Traverse City ar. 9:10 12:40 3:10 6:40 Charlevoix ar. 11:05 3:10 6:40 Petoskey ar. 11:55 3:40 6:40

DETROIT, GR. RAPIDS & WESTERN R. R. Trains leave Grand Rapids for Lansing and Detroit at 7:00 a. m., 12:05 p. m. and 5:35 p. m. For Saginaw at 7:00 a. m. and 5:10 p. m. Parlor cars on all trains; seats 25 cents.

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VANDALIA LINE Terre Haute & Logansport Railway Co. ..TIME TABLE.. In effect Nov. 26, 1899.

Trains leave South Bend for the South: No. 21, Ex. Sun., 5:15 a. m. for Terre Haute. No. 3, Ex. Sun., 11:45 a. m. for Terre Haute. No. 2, Ex. Sun., 6:45 p. m. for Logansport. For complete Time Card, giving all trains and stations, and for full information as to rates, through cars, etc., address

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Milwaukee, Benton Harbor & Columbus Railway Co. TIME TABLE. In effect Sunday, October 22, 1899.

Going South No. 9 No. 8 No. 1 Dly Dly Dly ex. ex. ex. Sun. Sun. Sun. p. m. p. m. p. m. 1:00 4:00 7:00 Stations Benton Harbor 11:10 5:45 5:45

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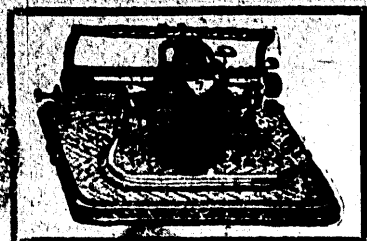
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Charitable Work of Salvation Army People on Christmas Day in New York.

New York, Dec. 26.—The Salvation Army furnished Christmas dinners to almost 25,000 persons Monday. They made the great Madison Square garden their headquarters for the day and from here in the morning they gave away over 3,000 large baskets of food, each containing enough for a family of five persons. In the evening they took care of over 5,000 people at the poor class and feasted them to an excellent turkey dinner and provided entertainment for them while they ate.

Cincinnati, Dec. 26.—The Salvation Army fed 1,000 poor at a dinner Monday and also distributed 150 baskets of provisions, which are equivalent to giving a dinner to each of 3,000 poor people.

Sad Fate of a Young Girl.

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 26.—Margie Drayer, the 11-year-old daughter of John Drayer, was shot and instantly killed at six o'clock Monday afternoon by Mrs. William Taylor. A number of children, including Margie Drayer, were at the Taylor home playing with popguns, when Mrs. Taylor, saying that she had something that would beat popguns, picked up an old musket, which she accidentally discharged. The entire load of shot entered the girl's breast. Death resulted instantaneously. It is feared Mrs. Taylor will lose her reason.

Pardoned.

Columbus, O., Dec. 26.—Miss Mary Garrett, one of the most noted of women prisoners in the Ohio penitentiary, was pardoned Monday. She entered the prison October 5, 1888, under sentence of death, carrying a babe in her arms, having been convicted of murdering her two imbecile step-children at Spencer, Medina county. Gov. Foraker commuted her sentence to life imprisonment.

Four More Bodies Found.

Brownsville, Pa., Dec. 26.—Work at the Brazzelle mine is progressing slowly. Four more bodies have been recovered, but not identified. The mine officials admit that two or more bodies are still in the mine, but representatives of the Slavonic society have made a house-to-house canvass and report that eight of their number alone are in the wreck.

A Christmas Tragedy.

Clifton, Ill., Dec. 26.—At three o'clock Monday afternoon a murder was committed at Weldon, 10 miles southeast of here. Harry Summers, Jr., of Weldon, a carpenter, and "Doc" Marcum, a farmhand near Deland, in Platt county, engaged in a quarrel in a poker room, when Marcum shot and killed Summers.

THE FUNERAL SHIP.

The Texas Reaches Newport News with Bodies of the Men Who Lost Their Lives on the Maine.

Newport News, Va., Dec. 26.—The battleship Texas, in command of Capt. Sigsbee, arrived here shortly before noon Monday with the remains of the men who lost their lives by the destruction of the battleship Maine in Havana harbor. The bodies of the Maine heroes which were brought up on the Texas will be transferred to a Chesapeake & Ohio train to-day at 12 o'clock and will be taken to Washington for interment in Arlington cemetery next Thursday. The Texas left Havana last Thursday. She encountered a gale off Hatteras, but had good weather until she reached that point. Rev. Father Chidwick, who was chaplain on the Maine, is in charge of the remains of the dead heroes and will accompany them to Washington. Not more than a score of the bodies on the Texas were identified. The names of those who were identified on the bodies which include their mortal remains. There were no ceremonies in honor of the arrival of the Maine's dead, but impressive exercises will take place to-day when the bodies are transferred from the ship to the train. The funeral train will arrive in Washington at midnight.

Washington, Dec. 26.—The remains of the dead of the battleship Maine will arrive here to-day and be interred at Arlington cemetery Thursday at 11 o'clock in the presence of President McKinley, most of the members of his cabinet and a large contingent of army and navy officers and others. The funeral rites over the dead will be performed by Chaplain Chidwick, who was attached to the Maine when she was blown up in Havana bay. The chaplain of the Naval academy will assist him. A pretty grassy knoll near where the Santago dead rest has been selected as the final abiding place of the remains of the dead seamen. Relatives and friends have claimed 22 of the bodies and will give them private interment under an arrangement with the navy department, which has taken charge of the burial of all the bodies, either unidentified or unclaimed.

Assistant Secretary Allen, in explaining the course of the department, said:

"It is the duty of Secretary Long that the bodies of all the relatives of those who died on the Maine to give them a private burial. He completed work and Chaplain Chidwick, who accompanied the department of the bodies, was instructed to prepare lists of the identified remains in order that this might be done. There are 190 bodies and many of them are in bodies which have been identified, and will be sent to those who claim them. The unidentified and unclaimed bodies will be buried at Arlington and the graves of those identified will be marked with no distinction."

GREAT BANK PLANNED.

Three New York Institutions, It Is Said, Will Consolidate—Secretary Gage to Be at the Head.

New York, Dec. 26.—The New York Journal prints the following: A great financial institution, to be known as the National Bank of the United States or the United States National bank, is forming. The bank is to be the result of the consolidation of the National City bank and the Hanover national bank of New York, both controlled by the Rockefeller money trust, and a smaller local concern. This consolidated institution is to be according to present plans, the central money power of the United States, just as the Bank of England, the Bank of France, and the Imperial Bank of Berlin are in their respective countries. Secretary of the Treasury Lyman J. Gage, after his retirement from the cabinet, is to become the head of the bank. Talk with officials of the institution cast doubt upon the report.

Coal for Italy.

Philadelphia, Dec. 26.—The Italian steamship Venus, Capt. Trapedi, has arrived from America in ballast to load up with a cargo of coal for Genoa. This will be the third shipment of 100,000 tons of coal within the period of a month. It is stated that 500,000 tons of coal will be shipped from here to Italy for use on the railroads. American coal is being loaded on board the French steamer Marquis, and the British steamer The Lion will soon begin loading for Genoa at Newport News for Marsilia.

Coal Strike Imminent.

Altoona, Pa., Dec. 26.—There is likelihood of a general strike in the bituminous coal region. A strike is certain January 1 under the 70 per cent. wage increase is granted. Mass meetings have been called for December 27 to consider the situation. Thirty thousand men, it is said, stand ready to go out.

Gov. Poynter Bereaved.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 26.—William Chapman Poynter, father of Gov. Poynter, died Monday at his home at Albion, aged 79. He was born in Kentucky, lived many years at Eureka, Ill., and has been a resident of Nebraska 15 years. Gov. Poynter was with his father when he died.

Died at Age of 106.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Michael J. Brown, 106 years old, died at Mercy hospital on Christmas eve. He was the oldest person in Chicago. Had he lived another year and a few days he would have seen parts of three centuries.

Tragedy in Florida.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 26.—Peter J. Holbert, an electrician of this city, shot his wife and then turned the weapon on himself, inflicting wounds from which he died. Mrs. Holbert will recover.

To Repeal Sugar Bounty Law.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 26.—It is reported that Gov. Pingree will ask the legislature to repeal the beet sugar bounty law.

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SOCIETY AND PERSONAL

Miss Anna Watson is ill.

Fred Northrup is visiting friends in Grand Rapids.

Guy Osborne of Chicago, is in the city today.

Miss Maggie Kreiger of Hartford, is in town today.

Captain Graves returned from Chicago yesterday.

Horace Corell and Louis Corell went to Niles today.

Mr. Hall of Pipestone, is a guest at Mr. Bird's today.

Myrtle Straul of Belding is the guest of friends in the city.

C. D. Pease has left this city for Aberdeen, South Dakota.

Dan Riley has resigned his position at Hipp, Enders & Avery's.

Miss Alice Cummings is confined to her home in Keeler by illness.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Jarvis of Chicago are guests of relatives in the city.

Dr. N. A. Herring has returned from Indiana, where he spent Christmas.

A. L. Burrucker returned last evening from his Christmas vacation in Chicago.

Miss Edna Kesler has returned from Berrien Center, where she spent Christmas.

Miss Nellie Jarvis who has been confined to the house with chicken pox is very much better.

Peter Tonneller and wife have gone to Louisville to spend a few days with Mrs. Tonneller's parents.

Miss Hazel Deane leaves this evening for Wabash, Ind., where she will spend several days visiting friends.

Mrs. Arlene Carr returned from Spokane Falls, Washington, last week. Mrs. Carr will make her future home in this city.

Mrs. M. A. Fifield, of Chicago, arrived in the city last night on her way to Indianapolis, where she will spend the winter with her son, Osgood.

W. C. Baker, formerly of Hull & Eaker of this city, is in the city. He is now engaged in the grocery business at Cadillac and is doing a good business.

Frankie Soule of Chicago is spending the day with Floyd Bakeman. Frankie is enjoying his Christmas present—a trip with his father, F. J. Soule.

Mrs. Dorothy Collins received a beautiful linen handkerchief from London as a Christmas gift. The handkerchief is a beautiful one and looks like hand work.

William Haugh, of Wallin, Benzie county, is visiting relatives here. He says there is plenty of work at good wages near his home, which is 212 miles north of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Gillette, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gillette and their daughter Lottie from the upper peninsula are guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Gillette on High street.

C. H. Porter and family will leave for the south next week. When they return north they will reside in Chicago and Benton Harbor will suffer the loss of a progressive citizen.

The Ossoli club will meet with Mrs. Victor M. Gore Friday afternoon.

Progressive pedro will be in order at the Miami club this evening.

The following officers were elected at the meeting of the Court of Honor last night: Chancellor, Joseph B. Hansen; vice chancellor, Ellen Cunningham; recorder, William F. Seel; treasurer, Kate M. Austin; chaplain, Clara J. Vandecar; conductor, F. M. Van Horn; guard, C. H. Brace; sentinel, Kate Schmuhl; directors, A. S. Miles, James Lucas, Leonard Reist; delegate to the first biennial state court, Joseph B. Hansen; alternate, W. F. Seel.

GRAIN MARKET.

Following are the prices of grain and provisions on Chicago board of trade today furnished by E. W. Moore & Co., commission brokers:

	Wheat—	Open's	High	Low	Close	Yest'y
Dec.....	66	66	66	65	65	
May.....	69	69	69	69	69	
Corn—						
Dec.....	30	30	30	30	30	
May.....	32	32	32	32	33	
Oats—						
Dec.....	22	22	22	22	22	
May.....	23	23	23	23	23	

Pork closed today at \$10.47 bid; lard \$5.80b ribs, \$5.52.

Paid Dear For His Leg.

B. D. Blanton, of Thackerville, Tex., in two years paid over \$300.00 to doctors to cure a Running Sore on his leg. Then they wanted to cut it off, but he cured it with one box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Guaranteed cure for Piles. 25 cts. a box. Sold by Lowe & Witherspoon, druggists.

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The Evening Press band will give a pleasing concert in Martin's Academy of Music next Monday night. Benton Harbor people are cordially invited.

August Loeffler, whose green house burned Christmas, is better off than he expected. He thought his insurance had expired but was happily surprised yesterday to find that a \$4,000 policy was in force. This will enable him to rebuild and he will commence at once.

Society was out in force at the Macabee Hall last evening to enjoy "My Uncle's Will," a roaring farce presented by Miss Nannie Keith Bean, and Messrs. M. H. Stuart and T. S. Clarke for the benefit of St. Catherine's Guild of the Episcopal church. The play was a fine success, all of the players conducting themselves in an artistic manner. Dancing was enjoyed after the play. Many Benton Harbor people were present.

Riverside.

Riverside, Dec. 27.—Steven Cook and family spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. George Schuster.

Alexander Schuster and wife ate dinner with O. Z. White Christmas.

A large crowd attended the Christmas entertainment Saturday night.

Annie, Flora and Duncan Thorburn are home enjoying holidays.

R. M. Curtis has put a new sill under his barn.

Revival meetings are held at Riverside every night this week.

Mrs. William Emery is sick at her home with measles.

Miss Mary Broderick is at home spending her vacation.

E. C. Stowe moved back to Benton Harbor last week.

Miss Mary Elson is visiting her folks at home.

Probate Court.

Irving Paddock filed his petition for final settlement of his accounts as administrator of the estate of Sophia Werwe, deceased, and for distribution of said estate. Hearing set for January 22 at 10 a. m.

W. P. Harvey filed and settled his accounts as executor of the estate of Agnes Ludlow, deceased, and an order for final distribution of said estate was entered.

John Ebert was appointed administrator of the estate of Lewis Meyer, deceased.

Harry Berndt was appointed administrator of the estate of Gottlieb F. Berndt.

Elizabeth Eisele was appointed by the court administratrix of the estate of John Eisele, deceased, late of the city of Niles.

CASTLE OF CANOSSA.

Historic Fortress Now In the Property of the Italian Government and Will Be Restored.

The imposing ruins of the famous Castello Carpinetti near Reggio Emilia, the Canossa of once on a time, perched on precipitous rocks, were to have been sold by auction last week, but the Italian government stepped in and informed the heirs of the late Count Valdrizhi, the present owners of the



CASTLE OF CANOSSA.
(Historic Fortress Just Bought by the Italian Government.)

castello, of the intention of the state to purchase the property. It was within the now dilapidated walls of the castle that Emperor Henry IV. humbled himself before Pope Gregory VII. in 1077, by waiting three days, barefooted and in sack cloth, for the papal pardon. Referring to this remarkable incident, Bismarck gave utterance to the now proverbial words, in his struggle against the supremacy of the ultramontanes in 1872: "To Canossa we shall not go." The castle was partially destroyed by the revolutionary burghers of Reggio in 1255, and during the centuries which have since elapsed the touch of time has gnawed mercilessly at the once almost invincible stronghold. Several of the halls and chambers of the castle are still intact, says the Chicago Record, and both the Italian and foreign archaeological associations which were prepared to bid for the historical ruins at the proposed auction are now most anxious that the Italian government preserve the castle from further decay in default of restoring it to its pristine condition.

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January Ladies' Home Journal.

The first people who will live in the twentieth century, according to the computation of a writer in the January Ladies' Home Journal, are the inhabitants of a group of mid-Pacific islands. To women who contemplate visiting the Paris exposition next year, "Edith and I in Paris," in the same magazine, will prove helpful and interesting. "The Boer Girl of South Africa," "The Mother of the Stars," summarizing Maria Mitchell's achievements, and "The Home Coming of the Nakannies," are also features of notable interest in the January Journal. Franklin Fyles writes on "The Rehearsal of a Play," and the author of "Mr. Dooley" gives a conclusively funny account of Molly Donahue's musicale. Albert W. Smith contributes more of his exquisite nonsense verses. Edward Bok writes in protest against "A National Crime at the feet of American Parents," and in contrast is shown "The New Idea in Teaching Children." Ian MacLaren's discourse on "The Minister and the Organ," and the last of the letters that passed between Gail Hamilton and Whittier brings the correspondence almost to the close of the poet's life. A score or more articles of special value to women touch every phase of home-making. By The Curtis Publishing Company, Philadelphia. One dollar a year; ten cents a copy.

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Judson E. Rice reports a larger Christmas trade in pictures and many orders still coming in. A large stock of cabinet frames received too late for Christmas are offered very low.

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